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IN REPLY TO:  
ForO 5100.1  
Safety  
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### FORCE ORDER 5100.1

From: Commander, Marine Forces Reserve  
To: Distribution List

Subj: FORCE SAFETY AWARDS PROGRAM

Ref: (a) SECNAV INSTRUCTION 5100.15A  
(b) MCO 5100.32

#### 1. Situation

a. Sustained safety performance throughout the Naval Service is a vital part of operational readiness and directly relates to force protection. Ground mishaps reduce the warfighting capacity of a unit and hence, the combat efficiency of the Marine Corps. Prevention is key to reversing the destabilizing effects that ground mishaps have on combat effectiveness across the Force.

b. Mishap avoidance is achieved through safety awareness and the application of sound safety practices. It requires a concerted effort on the part of every individual in the unit. Focused vigilance often creates new ideas and better concepts for advancing ground safety. Recognizing those units and individuals that have made significant contributions toward the advancement of ground safety is an essential part of reducing mishaps, enhancing the safety posture of a unit, and preserving warfighting assets.

c. Reference (a) established the Department of the Navy Shore Safety Awards Program. Reference (b) established the Marine Corps Safety Awards Program. This Order establishes the Marine Forces Reserve Safety Awards Program and encourages all Reserve Component units and Marines to participate in the various safety award programs sponsored by higher headquarters.

#### 2. Cancellation. None.

3. Mission. To establish the Marine Forces Reserve Ground Safety Awards Program and provide guidance for submission of nomination packages for Marine Corps safety awards.

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#### 4. Execution

a. Commander's Intent. Ground safety awards are a means of recognizing Force commands and personnel for significant contributions and accomplishments in the field of ground safety and mishap prevention.

b. Concept of Operations. Commanders will emphasize the importance of recognizing commands and individual military and civilian personnel for their contributions and accomplishments made in the field of ground safety and mishap prevention.

(1) Marine Corps Ground Safety Award program. The Marine Corps safety program recognizes units and individuals Corps-wide that have made significant contributions toward the enhancement of ground safety. These awards include the Superior Achievement in Safety Award, the Achievement in Safety Award, and the Merit Award in Safety. Eligibility and award criteria are contained in reference (b). Nominations will be submitted through the chain of command and signed by the commanding officer. The award will include a citation signed by the Commandant of the Marine Corps and a commemorative wall plaque.

(a) Superior Achievement in Safety Award. This award is presented annually to one officer, one enlisted, and one civilian member who have made the most significant contribution to the Marine Corps Safety Program.

(b) Achievement in Safety Award. This award will be presented annually to the one Marine Corps command in each group that has established the most outstanding safety program. Eligibility and award criteria are contained in reference (b). Nominations will be submitted through the chain of command and signed by the commanding officer. The award will include a citation signed by the Commandant of the Marine Corps and a commemorative wall plaque.

(c) Merit Award in Safety. This award will be presented annually to Marine Corps commands that establish an outstanding safety program and have reduced their reportable mishap rates over the previous two years. Nominations will be submitted through the chain of command and signed by the commanding officer. The award will include a citation signed by the Commandant of the Marine Corps.

(2) Marine Forces Reserve Ground Safety Award program. The Marine Forces Reserve safety program recognizes units and individuals force-wide that have demonstrated superior sustained achievement in ground safety. These awards include the unit

Safety Expert Award and the individual Safety Expert Award.

(a) The Marine Forces Reserve Unit Safety Expert Award. This award will be presented to those units that are identified as the Marine Forces Reserve nomination for the Marine Corps Achievement in Safety Award. The award will also be presented to those units that are identified as the Marine Forces Reserve nomination for the Marine Corps Merit Award in Safety. The award will include a citation signed by the Commander of Marine Forces Reserve and a certificate suitable for framing and display.

(b) The Marine Forces Reserve Individual Safety Expert Award. This award will be presented to those individuals that are identified as the Marine Forces Reserve nomination for the Marine Corps Superior Achievement in Safety Award. The award will include a citation signed by the Commander of Marine Forces Reserve and a certificate suitable for framing and display.

c. Coordinating Instructions. Submit award nominations to Commander, Marine Forces Reserve (Safety) via the chain of command. Final selection of units and individuals for each awards category will be made by Marine Forces Reserve and endorsed to CMC (SD) for consideration in the Marine Corps Safety Awards Program. Reserve component units and individuals selected to compete in the Marine Corps Safety Awards Program will also be issued the Marine Forces Reserve Safety Expert Award.

## 5. Administration and Logistics

### a. Selecting Nominees for Award Submission

(1) A Marine Forces Reserve awards committee will make the final selection of units and individuals that are submitted for Marine Corps safety awards. The award committee will consist of one representative from each of the following:

Deputy Commander, Marine Forces Reserve (Chair person)  
Safety Directory, MARFORRES  
Safety Officer, 4<sup>th</sup> MARDIV  
Safety Officer, 4<sup>th</sup> FSSG  
Safety Officer, MCRSC  
Safety Officer, 4<sup>th</sup> MAW

(2) Award packages for ground safety awards shall be submitted by the end of September through.

(3) The Commander, or a designated representative, will present the Marine Forces Reserve Safety Expert Award at an

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appropriate ceremony.

b. Major Subordinate Command Safety Awards

(1) Commanders shall establish an awards committee to review nominations and select recipients for "Safety Marine/Sailor of the Quarter" and "Unit Safety Award".

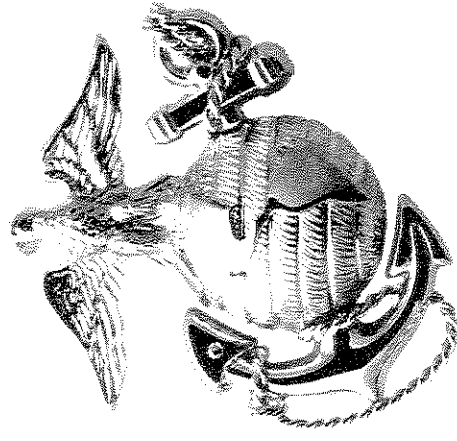
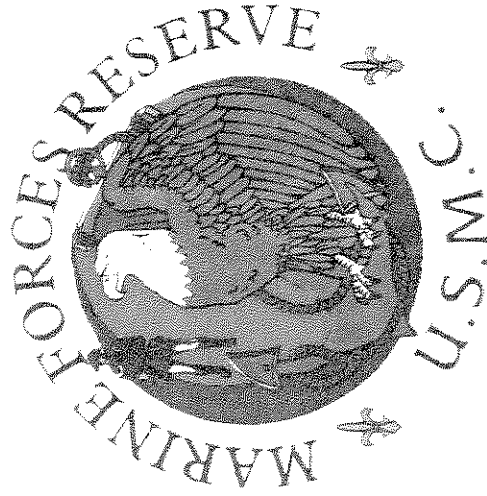
(2) Commanding Officers will present these safety awards at a command awards ceremony.

6. Command and Signal. This Order is effective the date signed.

  
J. H. WATSON  
Chief of Staff

*The Commander Marine Forces Reserve  
Takes great pleasure in presenting*

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*The  
Safety Experts Award*

*for superior sustained achievement in  
Ground Safety*

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